(2) (a) was the total amount of loan originally ordered to be granted reduced; (b) if so, to what extent and why;

(3) (a) what amount has the Government spent for the maintenance of the department; (b) how much money has the department disbursed by way of loans? (Figures up to the end of Kanni 1111 may be kindly given in each case).

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—(1) (a) 3,663 (up to Chingam 14).

(b) 141.

(c) No.

(d) 34.

(e) The Special Loan establishment was disbanded with effect from 15th Thulam 1111. The Special Loan Officer did not get sufficient time to check and disburse loans in all the cases recommended by the Loan Law Officers. Besides, the Special Loan Officer was given an allotment of only Rs. 2,00,000 for 1111 of which he disbursed Rs. 1,96,340 within the period of 15th Thulam, 1111.

(2) (a) Yes.

(b) The allotment for special loan in 1110 was Rs. 5,00,000 (of which Rs. 32,835 was disbursed in 1110). The sanctioned allotment for 1111 was Rs. 2,00,000. The reduction was due to the proposal to start the Land Mortgage Bank in the State.

(3) (a) Up to the end of Kanni 1111 Rs. 33,244-8-11.

(b) Up to the end of Kanni 1111 Rs. 1,09,932-8-0.

Revenue collected from the Ernakulam Town.

410. Mr. P. C. Varkey.—Will the Government be pleased to give a statement showing the amount collected by them from the Ernakulam Town, through the following departments, during the years 1109 and 1110 M.E.—

(a) Land Revenue;

(b) Excise (Salt, Abkari, Tobacco, Matches, etc.);

(c) Public Works (Canals, Ferries, Water, etc.);

(d) Income-tax?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar.— Statistics are not available. Municipal towns are constituted of parts of Revenue villages and separate accounts for each town have not been maintained.

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Dr. A. R. Menon.—Is there any land revenue at all collected from the town of Ernakulam?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—Land revenue is collected from all towns irrespective of municipal or non-municipal areas.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—But do they collect it from the Municipality?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—In Chittur Taluk they collect municipal tax also in addition to that.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—That imposition is not made here?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—No.

മിസ്റ്റർ പി. സി. വക്കി.— എറണാകുളം ടൌണിൽ എത്തെല്ലാം വില്ലേജുകളുണ്ടെന്നു പറയാമൊ?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—I cannot say with any accuracy how many villages are constituted in the Ernakulam Town.

Mr. P. C. Varkey.—When the town is formed, it is said that such and such a village will form the town.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—It is quite possible. I only profess my inability to give a definite answer.

Mr. P. C. Varkey.—If the Government knows the villages that constitute the Ernakulam Town, is it not possible for them to give the amount of land revenue collected from the town?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—It will not be possible, because the whole village is not incorporated in the town. Portions of villages will be incorporated in the town. It will be difficult to find out the survey numbers and to assess the land revenue for these survey numbers separately.

Mr. P. C. Varkey.—It may be possible to find it out.

Mr. President.—Even if it is possible to find out, it cannot be given.

Mr. P. C. Varkey.—I want only to know how much money is collected from the Ernakulam Town by Government. I want to base my arguments on that and the Government decline to give me statistics.

Mr. President.—You want the figure?

Mr. P. C. Varkey.—Yes.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.— I may say that it would be impossible to give an answer, and I hope that the time and the

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labour involved will not be commensurate with the result achieved.

Mr. P. C. Varkey.—Is it not easy for the Government to have some statistics so that they may know how much money is collected from the town?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—I don't think it is very easy.

Mr. P. C. Varkey.—If the Villages are known and the survey numbers are known, what is the difficulty?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—Survey numbers will have to be found. Portions of the village will be outside the town and inside the town. Given the time and the staff, I don't think that it is impossible of achievement. But I say the expenditure will not be commensurate with the result achieved.

മിസ്റ്റർ വി. കെ. കുട്ടി.— ടൌൺ ഏരിയയ്ക്കു പ്രത്യേകം പ്ലാനോ വല്ലതുമുണ്ടോ?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon. — There is a plan for each Town.

മിസ്റ്റർ വി. കെ. കുട്ടി.— പ്ലാൻ നോക്കിയാൽ അറിയുകയില്ലേ?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—The plan did not show that. The plan will not also show the area. The plan will show the survey numbers. We have to find out the survey numbers and sub-division numbers and then find out the land tax for Ernakulam Town.

മിസ്റ്റർ വി. കെ. കുട്ടി.— ഏക്കർ, സെൻറ മുതലായതു വച്ചല്ലേ കണക്കാക്കുന്നതു്. അതിനു റേറു് ഇല്ലേ; അതൊന്നു വിശദമായിട്ടു പറയുവാൻ സാധിക്കുമോ?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—I am unable, Sir

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. അയ്യപ്പൻ.— ടൌണിൻെറ സർവ്വെ പ്ലാൻ നോക്കിയാൽ അറിയാമോ?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—Sometimes the entire survey number is given, but the sub-divisions may not be given.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. അയ്യപ്പൻ.— സർവ്വെ നമ്പർ അറിഞ്ഞാൽ കാണാമല്ലോ?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—I think survey numbers may find a place.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. അയ്യപ്പൻ.— അതറിഞ്ഞാൽ സാധിക്കും.

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Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—If I get survey numbers, I can.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. അച്യുതൻ— എറണാകുളം ടൌണിന്റെ സർവ്വെ നമ്പർ നോക്കിയാൽ ഒരു മണിക്കൂറിൽ കൂടുതൽ സമയം വേണ്ട.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—I will give the Hon'ble Member one month.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—I will do it in a week.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—I will do it in one day if I get the requisite staff.

Mr. President.—But the Hon'ble Member will accept the offer.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—Yes. I will supply him with the map to day. The offer is accepted.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.— But you will have to give me your seat. (Laughter).

Azhikode Primary School—rent—non-payment.

411. **Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.**— With reference to Question 227 of the Cochin Legislative Council, dated 11th of Makaram 1110, will the Government supply the information indicated in the remarks of the Hon'ble Member for Finance, namely, "If any R. T. R. remains outstanding there may be accounts even now" (page 641) and "I will enquire" (page 642) and state why a similar question, admitted before, was not answered?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar.— The identifying particulars of the R. T. R. are not available. It can be identified only if the number and date of the unpaid R. T. R. and the name of the Treasury from which it was issued are known. If these are not available, it is not possible to identify the R. T. R.

The question was not answered before as the inquiries were not completed in time to give an answer to the question.

Memorial—Inhabitants of Palanji.

412. **Mr. T. C. Iyyukutty.**— Will the Government be pleased to state:—

what further action has been taken by the Government in the matter contained in the Diwan's Order Dis. No. 5287/1109, dated 24th January 1934?

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